

Amateur Radio has supported emergency communication in the past. CW (International Morse Code) works when all else fails.

As far as learning CW, it requires effort and it allows for another means of communicating information. Recently, I had the opportunity to demonstrate Morse Code to a K - 4th grade elementary school. The kids jumped at the chance to learn how to send their name using the Morse Code. There was much laughter and enjoyment in their success. I strongly recommend that the requirement for entry into the Amateur Radio HF frequency service continue with a CW Morse code proficiency.

I support this petition (with exception to the VE retest provision) and request the FCC maintain the suggested Morse requirements for General and Extra Class licenses.

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